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Shipping Weight and Value; Customs District and Continent

This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at $1.5 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Classification of U.S. Customs Districts and Ports for U.S. Foreign Trade Statistics, January 1, 1972 edition, as amended.

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such with U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

The statistics on exports of domestic and foreign merchandise to countries other than Canada reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued $500 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued $251-$499, based on a 50-percent probability sample of such shipments. For exports to Canada the statistics reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued $2,000 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued $251-$1,999, based on a 10-percent probability sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under $251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual customs districts.

Since the export figures shown include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The table on the following page provides a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability of value totals, on a 2 chances out of 3 basis. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

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Value totals for "Total" and "North America" of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of:			
	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%
$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
$500,000-$1,000,000	.20	1.00		
$100,000-$500,000	.30	.45	.70	1.00
$20,000-$100,000		.35	.70	1.00
Cells of under $20,000	Are likely to have sampling variability from $3,000 to $15,000			

Value totals for continents of South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Africa of:	Are likely to have sampling variability of:
$300,000 and over	Less than 2%
$100,000-$300,000	Less than 5% with over half of the totals less than 2%
$20,000-$100,000	Generally less than 10% with over half of the totals less than 5%
Under $20,000	Generally $500 to $5,000
Cells of $0	Generally less than $500

The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The statistics shown for individual customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued $251 and over. Data for shipments valued under $251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under $251), are estimated from a 1-percent sample. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under $251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of $500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under $500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less then $50,000.

Table 1. **Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent**

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers...	108,797	(X)	26,014	11,730	50,928	15,802	1,920	1,866	683,842	(X)	80,288	46,474	379,123	142,767	15,080	13,814
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	36,320	9,916	3,591	15,400	6,441	457	266	(X)	249,314	38,413	14,159	19,032	68,993	3,293	2,138
Boston, Mass.....	3,394	2,013	563	(Z)	2,721	30	47	33	23,888	13,339	3,052	1	19,915	144	597	179
Bridgeport, Conn.....	30	30	-	-	30	-	-	-	129	129	-	-	129	-	-	-
Ogdensburg, N.Y.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buffalo, N.Y.....	651	641	640	(Z)	10	-	-	-	3,655	3,613	3,628	1	26	-	-	-
New York City, N.Y.....	43,727	13,215	3,008	2,533	31,312	5,792	153	930	369,132	113,262	15,686	17,856	265,721	58,745	2,451	8,672
Philadelphia, Pa.....	1,008	385	111	95	644	131	3	24	4,735	1,994	417	299	2,439	1,337	18	225
Baltimore, Md.....	52	52	44	-	7	(Z)	-	(Z)	237	237	94	-	133	9	-	1
Wilmington, N.C.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charleston, S.C.....	12	12	(Z)	1	3	7	(Z)	-	92	92	3	6	34	44	5	-
Savannah, Ga.....	239	206	90	30	104	14	-	2	1,529	787	233	214	436	520	-	127
Tampa, Fla.....	32	2	32	-	(Z)	-	-	(Z)	81	17	77	-	3	-	-	1
Mobile, Ala.....	3	3	-	-	-	3	-	-	37	37	-	-	-	37	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	385	114	359	25	-	-	-	1	1,487	474	1,163	323	-	-	-	1
Laredo, Tex.....	206	119	155	4	4	43	(Z)	1	841	628	478	35	39	280	1	8
El Paso, Tex.....	114	114	114	-	-	-	-	-	755	755	755	-	-	-	-	-
Nogales, Ariz.....	81	63	74	-	7	-	-	-	1,404	1,370	710	-	694	-	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	5,087	1,632	482	149	1,712	2,350	351	42	59,925	19,254	2,053	2,217	24,757	26,364	3,880	654
San Francisco, Calif....	4,395	2,080	164	61	355	3,114	683	17	48,638	22,309	1,876	400	5,261	34,837	6,117	147
Portland, Oreg.....	71	69	18	-	52	1	-	-	839	724	90	-	663	86	-	-
Seattle, Wash.....	886	620	287	(Z)	289	294	(Z)	16	8,401	4,857	1,162	1	2,987	3,383	3	865
Anchorage, Alaska.....	86	62	61	-	15	10	-	(Z)	293	155	151	-	31	111	-	1
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	146	76	12	-	2	77	54	-	949	502	34	-	61	423	431	-
Great Falls, Mont.....	59	59	59	-	-	-	-	-	260	260	260	-	-	-	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	1	(Z)	1	-	-	-	-	-	9	5	9	-	-	-	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	245	244	178	-	17	49	-	-	2,945	2,923	989	-	29	1,927	-	-
Detroit, Mich.....	1,850	1,274	520	19	1,209	21	14	67	8,425	6,540	2,025	21	5,911	54	127	287
Chicago, Ill.....	10,127	4,958	2,538	5	5,877	1,518	14	174	53,340	26,690	14,782	13	28,257	9,245	48	995
Cleveland, Ohio.....	555	66	390	(Z)	162	(Z)	(Z)	1	2,292	462	1,804	4	477	2	2	3
St. Louis, Mo.....	61	61	13	-	48	(Z)	-	(Z)	846	846	82	-	762	1	-	1
San Juan, P.R.....	976	668	857	90	4	25	-	-	2,743	1,671	1,520	942	238	44	-	-
Miami, Fla.....	15,415	6,385	8,070	7,181	157	3	1	3	39,970	17,132	16,831	21,022	1,925	110	14	67
Houston, Tex.....	1,463	514	621	142	388	193	(Z)	119	6,224	1,800	1,736	401	2,323	1,126	8	631
Washington, D.C.....	582	296	1	84	435	10	3	47	8,113	2,797	15	667	7,328	54	12	37
All other districts.....	42	37	35	-	7	-	-	1	393	367	250	-	140	-	-	3
Shipments under $251....	16,278	(NA)	6,515	1,309	5,356	2,114	596	388	24,940	(NA)	8,322	2,053	8,405	3,885	1,368	907
Special Category.....	537	248	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	6,297	3,286	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unlading by Continent

(Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers..	91,172	(X)	9,099	6,597	47,727	26,483	946	290	541,056	(X)	40,918	16,066	327,908	147,810	3,581	4,737
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	41,098	3,069	3,004	18,967	15,316	698	46	(X)	277,555	16,874	7,860	164,624	85,116	1,898	1,183
Boston, Mass.....	3,208	1,669	107	71	2,952	70	(Z)	8	17,753	9,303	1,128	192	15,420	487	1	525
Bridgeport, Conn.....	3	2	1	1	1	-	(Z)	-	51	50	3	1	34	-	14	-
Ogdensburg, N.Y.....	4	(Z)	2	-	2	-	-	-	33	4	31	-	2	-	-	-
Buffalo, N.Y.....	218	191	175	-	27	16	-	-	2,615	2,512	2,200	-	406	10	-	-
New York City, N.Y.....	45,467	18,323	1,139	2,886	33,081	8,060	110	192	261,176	107,604	6,267	10,759	197,882	42,048	738	3,481
Philadelphia, Pa.....	984	722	24	(Z)	764	194	(Z)	3	7,097	3,867	172	12	6,146	631	11	125
Baltimore, Md.....	97	92	16	(Z)	69	5	-	8	1,047	1,016	433	(Z)	425	123	-	65
Wilmington, N.C.....	158	158	2	-	155	1	-	-	1,020	1,020	1	-	1,018	1	-	-
Charleston, S.C.....	599	599	(Z)	-	90	(Z)	509	-	17,881	17,881	3	-	17,601	(Z)	276	-
Savannah, Ga.....	47	44	6	-	39	3	-	-	517	513	67	-	445	5	-	-
Tampa, Fla.....	11	3	8	-	3	-	-	-	145	117	111	-	34	-	-	-
Mobile, Ala.....	1	(Z)	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	2	-	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	227	98	222	1	4	(Z)	-	-	235	162	118	81	30	7	-	-
Laredo, Tex.....	127	87	125	(Z)	-	1	-	-	369	176	290	2	-	76	-	-
El Paso, Tex.....	25	20	24	-	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	542	446	539	-	1	2	-	-
Nogales, Ariz.....	40	39	40	-	1	(Z)	(Z)	-	590	511	507	-	78	5	(Z)	-
Los Angelea, Calif.....	8,834	4,394	404	143	1,591	6,550	141	6	84,553	52,218	6,625	634	38,051	38,002	1,162	78
San Francisco, Calif...	6,794	5,026	45	11	251	6,425	61	1	50,175	32,624	559	43	2,214	46,314	1,017	28
Portland, Oreg.....	12	12	9	-	1	2	-	-	58	58	29	-	24	5	-	-
Seattle, Wash.....	2,231	1,741	109	-	230	1,892	(Z)	(Z)	12,982	8,850	2,872	-	2,125	7,966	18	1
Anchorage, Alaska.....	84	37	1	-	30	53	-	-	706	186	5	-	396	305	-	-
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	699	254	46	1	28	596	29	-	4,616	1,922	77	2	1,092	3,298	148	-
Great Falls, Mont.....	6	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	113	113	113	-	-	-	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	23	23	23	-	(Z)	-	-	-	79	78	74	-	4	-	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	120	111	6	-	3	111	-	-	604	531	101	-	29	474	-	-
Detroit, Mich.....	1,483	1,315	190	(Z)	1,258	33	(Z)	1	4,864	3,784	692	5	4,049	98	10	10
Chicago, Ill.....	4,776	2,142	503	7	3,328	876	40	21	33,140	14,593	5,103	41	24,219	3,465	110	203
Cleveland, Ohio.....	159	88	40	(Z)	64	55	-	-	3,108	2,424	421	1	2,431	256	-	-
St. Louis, Mo.....	35	33	2	3	31	(Z)	(Z)	-	181	135	9	3	152	9	8	-
San Juan, P.R.....	2,346	502	1,671	479	194	2	-	-	3,663	724	1,608	527	843	685	-	-
Miami, Fla.....	6,425	2,481	3,200	2,881	231	110	-	3	14,412	6,798	9,022	3,486	1,587	272	-	44
Houston, Tex.....	323	188	141	28	124	29	-	1	3,636	702	656	172	1,232	1,460	-	116
Washington, D.C.....	680	606	38	(Z)	611	31	(Z)	(Z)	6,496	5,956	16	1	6,336	137	2	4
All other districts....	96	94	9	-	87	1	-	-	710	677	128	-	577	4	-	-
Shipments under $251...	4,829	(NA)	768	85	2,479	1,365	55	46	5,889	(NA)	936	104	3,023	1,665	67	57

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